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KENTUCKY WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER REPORT



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AGRICULTURAL NEWS: A break in the rain resulted in below normal rainfall across the Commonwealth for the first time in two weeks. Precipitation totaled 0.50 inches statewide, 0.35 inches below normal. Temperatures averaged 47 degrees, which was 5 degrees below normal. Some progress was made this week harvesting soybeans and corn and sowing winter wheat, but all field activities were behind the 5-year average. Topsoil moisture was rated 2 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 44 percent surplus, as of Friday, November 3. Subsoil moisture was rated 1 percent very short, 4 percent short, 60 percent adequate, and 35 percent surplus. Days suitable for fieldwork averaged 3.3 out of a possible 7 days.

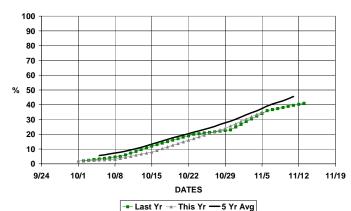
TOBACCO: As of Sunday, November 5, 35 percent of burley tobacco had been stripped, slightly ahead of last year, but behind the fiveyear average. This was an increase of 11 percent from last week. Stripped tobacco was rated 1 percent very poor, 2 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 56 percent good, and 14 percent excellent. Farmers still reported cases of houseburn and some spotting on leaves due to cool temperatures.

CORN: Harvested corn acreage was at 93 percent, behind 99 percent for the previous year and 97 percent for the average. Farmers were still having trouble getting into the fields to finish combining.

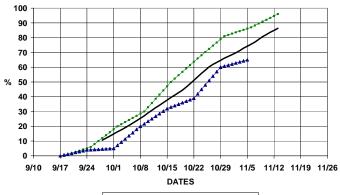
SOYBEANS: Harvested soybean acreage was at 65 percent, behind 86 percent for the previous year and 74 percent for the average. Harvesting was about two weeks behind last year and a week behind the average. Farmers report that most of the double cropped soybeans were still in the fields.

Farmers have seeded 72 **OTHER CROPS:** percent of the winter wheat crop as of Sunday, November 5. This was behind last year's 89 percent and the average of 74 percent. Farmers reported good germination where the crop has been planted. Winter wheat condition was rated 3 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 55 percent good, and 16 percent excellent. The winter wheat crop condition declined from 74 percent rated good to excellent last week to 71 percent rated good to excellent this week. On Friday, November 3, pastures were rated 1 percent very poor, 5 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 50 percent good, and 17 percent excellent.





SOYBEANS HARVESTED PROGRESS



- Last Year - This Year - 5 Yr Avg

KENTUCKY CROP PROGRESS

WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 5, 2006 WITH COMPARISONS

Crop Stage	This Week	Previous Year	5-Yr. Avg.	Previous Week					
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	Percentage								
Soybeans									
Harvested	65	86	74	60	83				
Corn									
Harvested	93	99	97	90	68				
Burley Tobacco									
Stripped	35	34	37	24	NA				
Winter Wheat									
Planted	72	89	74	70	91				

(NA)Data Not Available.

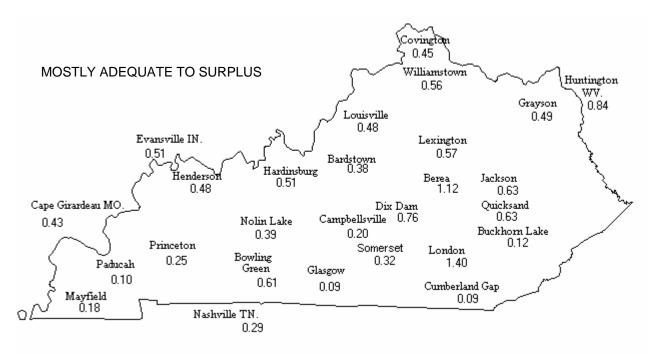
SOIL MOISTUREWEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 3, 2006 WITH COMPARISONS

	This Week	Previous Week				
TOPSOIL	Percentage					
Very Short Short	0 2	0 1				
Adequate Surplus	54 44	46 53				
·	44	33				
SUBSOIL						
Very Short	1	0				
Short	4	4				
Adequate	60	64				
Surplus	35	32				

KENTUCKY CROP CONDITIONS (Percent)

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WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 3, 2006					WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 27, 2006					
	VERY				EXCEL-	VERY				EXCEL-
CROP	POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	LENT	POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	LENT
Winter Wheat	0	3	26	55	16	0	3	23	67	7
Pasture	1	5	27	50	17	0	4	23	52	21
Stripped Tobacco	1	2	27	56	14	0	3	28	52	17

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 7:00 P.M. TOPSOIL MOISTURE DELINEATION FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2006



KENTUCKY WEATHER SUMMARY, OCTOBER 30 – NOVEMBER 5, 2006:

Below Normal Temperatures and Below Normal Rainfall

After two consecutive weeks of above normal rainfall, the Commonwealth saw a break in the wet weather this past week with below normal rainfall. The work week started off mild, as high pressure and southerly winds brought normal temperatures to the State. By Tuesday, a cold front moved into the Ohio River Valley, triggering scattered showers and a few thunderstorms through Wednesday. By the end of the work week, Canadian high pressure built into the State, which brought dry conditions and cold temperatures, lasting through the weekend.

Temperatures for the period averaged 47 degrees across the State which was 5 degrees below normal and 1 degree above the previous week's average. High temperatures averaged from 56 in the West to 58 in the East. Departure from normal high temperatures ranged from 9 degrees below normal in the West to 3 degrees below normal in the East. Low temperatures averaged from 38 degrees in the West to 37 degrees in the East. Departure from normal low temperature ranged from 5 degrees below normal in the West to 2 degrees below normal in the East. Extreme temperatures ranged from a maximum in the low 70s to a minimum in the low 20s.

Precipitation (liq. equ.) for the period totaled 0.50 inches statewide which was 0.35 inches below normal. Precipitation totals by climate division, West 0.33 inches, Central 0.41 inches, Bluegrass 0.68 inches and East 0.57 inches, which was 0.58, 0.47, 0.09 and 0.26 inches respectively below normal. By station, precipitation totals ranged from a low of 0.09 inches at Cumberland Gap to a high of 1.40 inches at London.

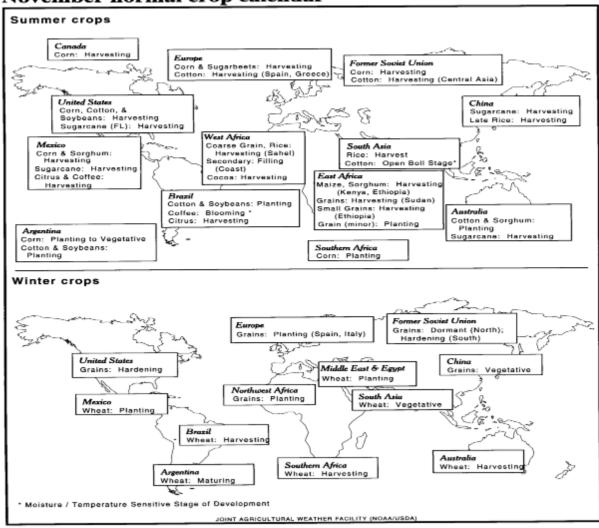
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KENTUCKY TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 7:00 P.M.

	Rainfall			Deviation From		Air Temperature				Relative Humidity	
Weather Station	Last Week	Since April 1	Last Four Wks	Norm Since Apr. 1	Norm Last 4 Wks	High	Low	Wkly Avg.	Dev. From Norm	Avei High	rage Low
	(1	nches)				, -	(Degrees	Fahrenhe	eit)		
Bardstown	0.38	31.70	5.16	+4.43	+2.69	72	22	46.7	-5	92	46
Berea	1.12	31.17	5.22	+2.30	+2.50	73	25	46.5	-4	86	47
Bowling Green	0.61	30.99	4.10	+1.83	+1.12	73	24	47.6	-4		
Bristol	0.82	27.98	3.53	+3.41	+1.12	71	21	47.0	-3		
Buckhorn Lake	0.12	26.96	3.91	-0.63	+1.21	72	23	46.8	-3		
Cape Girardeau	0.43	32.42	5.92	+5.07	+3.03	70	22	47.3	-7		
Campbellsville	0.20	28.90	4.31	-3.59	+1.30	71	22	47.4	-4	93	50
Covington	0.45	28.30	4.43	+2.52	+1.73	72	20	43.4	-7		
Cumberland Gap	0.09	24.85	2.51	-5.00	-0.66	72	23	46.8	-3	93	50
Dix Dam	0.76	30.54	5.05	+2.17	+2.32	71	23	46.1	-4		
Evansville	0.51	39.41	5.70	+13.54	+2.95	72	24	45.3	-9		
Glasgow	0.09	33.59	4.00	+2.38	+1.01	75	21	48.2	-3	98	56
Grayson	0.49	35.27	5.73	+8.66	+2.98	74	23	47.1	-3	93	50
Hardinsburg	0.51	37.95	5.51	+9.04	+2.56	73	25	46.7	-5	95	57
Henderson	0.48	34.77	5.54	+7.99	+2.80	72	23	46.5	-7	93	50
Huntington	0.84	37.37	5.50	+10.62	+2.74	74	23	47.0	-3		
Jackson	0.63	31.26	5.67	+2.52	+2.86	74	25	49.2	-1		
Lexington	0.57	36.56	6.55	+9.29	+4.08	73	21	45.8	-4		
London	1.40	31.98	4.89	+5.23	+2.20	74	24	48.6	-1		
Louisville	0.48	42.10	5.52	+15.25	+2.89	74	23	45.3	-6		
Mayfield	0.18	41.12	4.30	+10.97	+0.80	72	23	46.8	-7	94	50
Nashville	0.29	26.65	3.23	-0.32	+0.60	76	28	51.6	-0		
Nolin Lake	0.39	34.92	4.93	+4.05	+1.83	74	23	47.6	-4		
Paducah	0.10	42.40	5.29	+13.46	+2.34	72	23	47.9	-6	89	48
Princeton	0.25	33.60	4.60	+4.54	+1.57	72	25	48.5	-5	95	48
Quicksand	0.63	28.76	5.60	+0.02	+2.79	72	23	46.8	-3	94	50
Somerset	0.32	31.79	4.34	+1.35	+1.22	67	24	47.1	-3	93	50
Spindletop	0.64	31.23	5.21	+3.96	+2.74	71	22	45.1	-5	96	54
Williamstown	0.56	36.95	5.76	+9.59	+2.95	72	20	44.3	-6	93	50

The above information is provided by Tom Priddy, Kentucky Extension Agricultural Meteorologist, University of Kentucky Agr'l Weather Center (859)257-3000 ext 245. E-mail: priddy@uky.edu Additional Ky weather data available on Internet at: http://www.agwx.ca.uky.edu/

November normal crop calendar



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